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31A-23b-206 Continuing education requirements.

- (1) The commissioner shall, by rule, prescribe continuing education requirements for a navigator.
- (2)
 - (a) The commissioner may not require a degree from an institution of higher education as part of continuing education.
 - (b) The commissioner may state a continuing education requirement in terms of hours of instruction received in:
 - (i) accident and health insurance;
 - (ii) qualification for and enrollment in public programs;
 - (iii) qualification for and enrollment in premium subsidies;
 - (iv) cultural competency;
 - (v) conflict of interest standards; and
 - (vi) other exchange functions.
- (3)
 - (a) For a navigator line of authority, continuing education requirements shall require:
 - (i) that a licensee complete 12 credit hours of continuing education for every one-year licensing period;
 - (ii) that at least two of the 12 credit hours described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) be ethics courses;
 - (iii) that at least one of the 12 credit hours described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) be training on defined contribution arrangements and the use of the small employer health insurance exchange; and
 - (iv) that a licensee complete the annual navigator training and certification program developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
 - (b) For a certified application counselor, the continuing education requirements shall require:
 - (i) that a licensee complete six credit hours of continuing education for every one-year licensing period;
 - (ii) that at least two of the six credit hours described in Subsection (3)(b)(i) be on ethics courses;
 - (iii) that at least one of the six credit hours described in Subsection (3)(b)(i) be training on defined contribution arrangements and the use of the small employer health insurance exchange; and
 - (iv) that a licensee complete the annual certified application counselor training and certification program developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
 - (c) An hour of continuing education in accordance with Subsections (3)(a)(i) and (b)(i) may be obtained through:
 - (i) classroom attendance;
 - (ii) home study;
 - (iii) watching a video recording; or
 - (iv) another method approved by rule.
 - (d) A licensee may obtain continuing education hours at any time during the one-year license period.
 - (e) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commissioner shall, by rule, authorize one or more continuing education providers, including a state or national professional producer or consultant associations, to:
 - (i) offer a qualified program on a geographically accessible basis; and
 - (ii) collect a reasonable fee for funding and administration of a continuing education program, subject to the review and approval of the commissioner.

- (4) The commissioner shall approve a continuing education provider or a continuing education course that satisfies the requirements of this section.
- (5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commissioner shall by rule establish the procedures for continuing education provider registration and course approval.
- (6) This section applies only to a navigator who is a natural person.
- (7) A navigator shall keep documentation of completing the continuing education requirements of this section for one year after the end of the one-year licensing period to which the continuing education applies.

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